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GRASSFIRE BURNS APPROXIMATELY 25 ACRES; CAUSE UNDER INVESTIGATION

(September 26, 2005) Firefighters are working a grassfire at the southeast corner of Lebanon and Teel Parkway.

The grassfire broke out at approximately 5:09 p.m. and burned approximately 25 acres of land, which is owned by Tomlin Investments. Frisco firefighters had the blaze under control at 5:47 p.m., with help from crews with the Town of Prosper and The Colony.

The cause of the fire is unknown; however, investigators suspect the cause of the fire is related to our extreme, dry conditions and fueled by high grasses in the area.

"The tract of burning ground doesn't have any homes on it, but there are homes nearby, which is why we were concerned," said Chief Mack Borchardt. "We needed to control the fire quickly and keep as much smoke as possible out of the adjoining neighborhoods in Frisco and The Colony," said Borchardt.

While heavy smoke lingers, motorists are urged to avoid the area.

Firefighters will remain on the scene, monitoring 'hot spots' and making sure fire doesn't rekindle in rough terrain areas.

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